



ETERNAL LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

(Missouri Synod)

Rev. Brian Crane, Senior Pastor

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The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 20, 2025

WELCOME to Eternal Life Lutheran Church as honored guests or treasured members. Before service, speak to the Lord in prayer. During service, listen as the Lord speaks to you through His Holy Word. After service, speak to one another. *(If standing during any portion of the worship service is a problem, you may be seated.)*

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

O Lord, my creator, redeemer, and comforter, as I come to worship You in spirit and in truth, I humbly pray that You would open my heart to the preaching of Your Word so that I may repent of my sins, believe in Jesus Christ as my only Savior, and grow in grace and holiness. Hear me for the sake of His name. Amen.

ALTAR PARAMENTS are green for the season after Pentecost. Green represents life and growth.

HOLY COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION...See “*Our Confession and Practice*” on page 2, and “Distribution” instructions on page 18.

- Board of Elders

FRIENDSHIP REGISTER...is at the end of each pew. **Please sign one name per line.** After all have signed, let the sheet stick out, and return the pad to the center aisle. Thank you!

AFTER SERVICE TODAY:

- **COFFEE & TREATS** in the Parish Hall.
- **QUARTERLY VOTERS’ MEETING** in the Parish Hall.
- **10:45 a.m.: SUNDAY SCHOOL** will meet in the Family Room.

BIBLE CLASS won’t meet today due to the Voters’ Meeting.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Our Confession and Practice

As Missouri Synod Lutherans, we believe the Lord's Supper is Christ's gift to the Church. St. Paul writes, *"For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, 'This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."*

St. Paul continues, *"Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself."* (1 Corinthians 11:23–29, ESV)

Accordingly, the Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. *(For further study, see Matthew 5:23f.; 10:32f.; 18:15–35; 26:26–29; 1 Corinthians 11:17–34.)*

Concerning the distribution of the Lord's Supper, if you would like to receive Holy Communion in your pew, please notify the pastor or an usher. Gluten-free communion hosts are available; please inform the pastor (before the service, if possible) if you would like to receive one. Wine with alcohol removed is found in the center of each communion tray for those with allergies or sensitivities. If you are not receiving Holy Communion but would like to receive a blessing from the pastor, please cross your arms over your chest at the communion rail.

Order of Worship

Divine Service, Setting Three with The Lord's Supper – p. 184ff

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Silent Prayer (✠)

✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

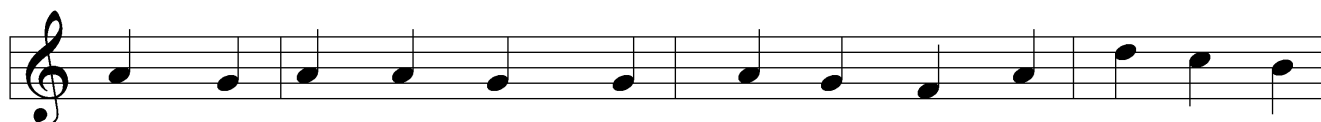
Hymn of Invocation – 538 Praise Be to Christ



1 Praise be to Christ in whom we see The im - age of the
2 Praise be to Him whose sov - 'reign sway And will up - holds cre -
3 Praise be to Him who, Lord Most High, The full - ness of the



Fa - ther shown, The first-born Son re - vealed and known, The truth and
a - tion's plan; Who is, be - fore all worlds be - gan And when our
God-head shares; And yet our hu-man na - ture bears, Who came as



grace of de - i - ty; Through whom cre - a - tion came to birth,
world has passed a - way: Lord of the Church, its life and head,
man to bleed and die. And from His cross there flows our peace



Whose fin - gers set the stars in place, The un - seen pow'rs, and
Re - demp-tion's price and source and theme, A - live, the first - born
Who chose for us the path He trod, That so might sins and



this small earth, The fur - thest bounds of time and space.
from the dead, To reign as all - in - all su - preme.
sor - rows cease And all be rec - on - ciled to God.

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1926–2024

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Stand

The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen. *Matthew 28:19b [18:20]*

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. *[Hebrews 10:22]*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth. *Psalm 124:8*

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. *Psalm 32:5*

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *[John 20:19-23]*

C Amen.

✠ Service of the Word ✠

Introit

Psalm 119:57–60, 64; antiphon: Psalm 119:105



P Your word is a lamp | to my feet*
and a light | to my path.

P The LORD is my | portion;*
I promise to | keep your words.

C I entreat your favor with | all my heart;*
be gracious to me according to your | promise.

P When I think | on my ways,*
I turn my feet to your testi- | monies;

C I hasten and do | not delay*
to keep your com- | mandments.

P The earth, O LORD, is full of your | steadfast love;*
teach me your | statutes!

Gloria Patri

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C Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther and to the Son and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A-men.

P Your word is a lamp | to my feet*
and a light | to my path.

Kyrie ~ Lord, Have Mercy

Mark 10:47



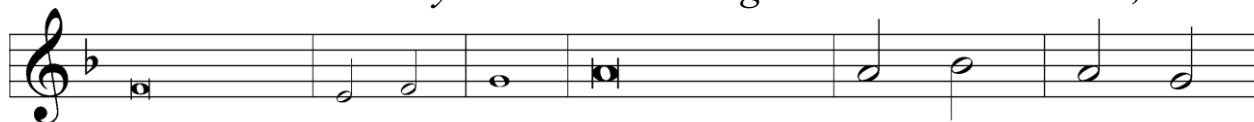
C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -



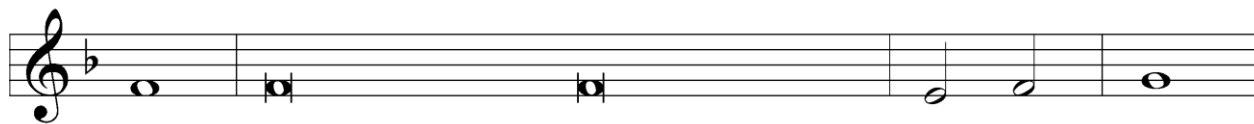
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria In Excelsis ~ *Glory to God in the Highest*

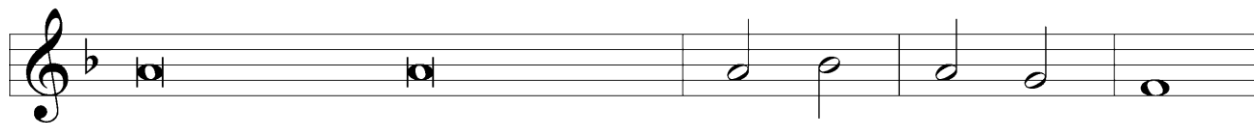
Luke 2:14; John 1:29



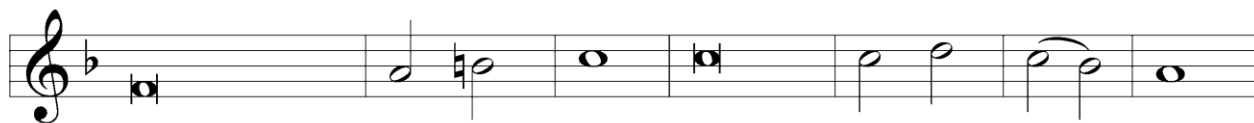
P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward



men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,



we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.



O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.



O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;



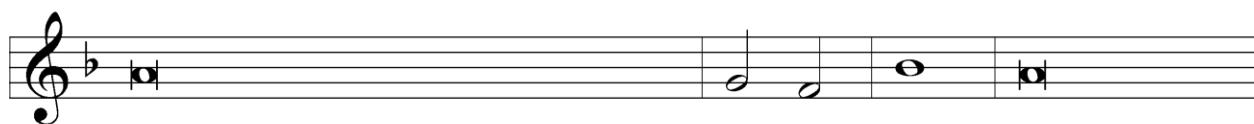
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.



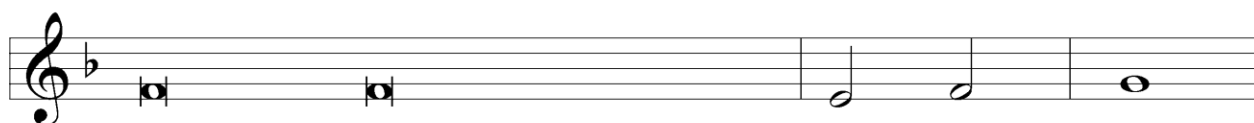
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.



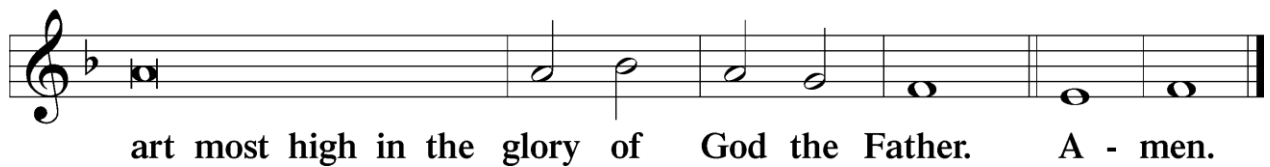
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up-



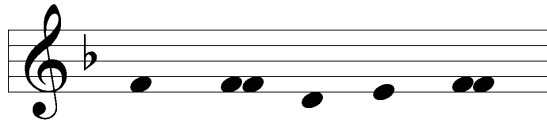
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.



Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,



Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

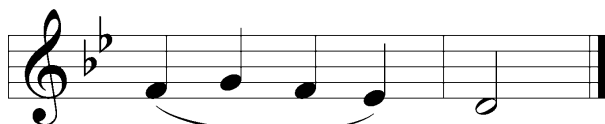


C And with thy spir - it.



P Let us pray.

P O Lord, grant us the Spirit to hear Your Word and know the one thing needful that by Your Word and Spirit we may live according to Your will; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 18:1-14

¹The LORD appeared to [Abraham] by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth ³and said, "O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, ⁵while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they

said, “Do as you have said.” ⁶And Abraham went quickly into the tent to Sarah and said, “Quick! Three seahs of fine flour! Knead it, and make cakes.” ⁷And Abraham ran to the herd and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to a young man, who prepared it quickly. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them. And he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹They said to him, “Where is Sarah your wife?” And he said, “She is in the tent.” ¹⁰The LORD said, “I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent door behind him. ¹¹Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in years. The way of women had ceased to be with Sarah. ¹²So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I am worn out, and my lord is old, shall I have pleasure?” ¹³The LORD said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ ¹⁴Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Romans 10:15b, 18b; Isaiah 52:7b, alt.



P How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the | good news,*
who publish peace and bring good news of sal- | vation.

C Their voice has gone out to | all the earth,*
and their words to the ends | of the world.

Epistle

Colossians 1:21–29

²¹You, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, ²³if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

²⁴Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, ²⁵of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from

God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known,
²⁶the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints.
²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the
riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.
²⁸Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all
wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. ²⁹For this I toil,
struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

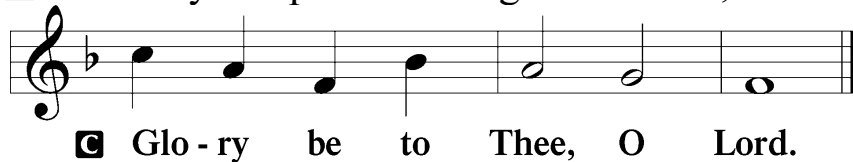
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Holy Gospel

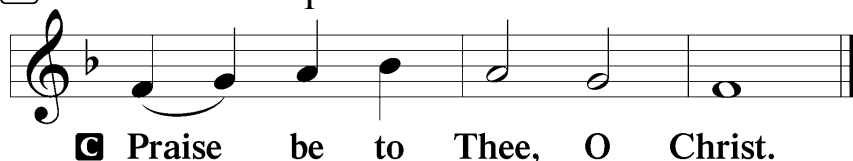
Luke 10:38–42

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.



³⁸Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. ³⁹And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, ⁴²but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

**☩ I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.**

Us men means all people. *Christian*: the ancient text reads “catholic,” meaning the whole Church as it confesses the wholeness of Christian doctrine.

Sit

Luther's Small Catechism – The Sacrament of the Altar

P *What is the Sacrament of the Altar?*

C It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.

P *Where is this written?*

C The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke, and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Hymn of the Day – 536 One Thing's Needful



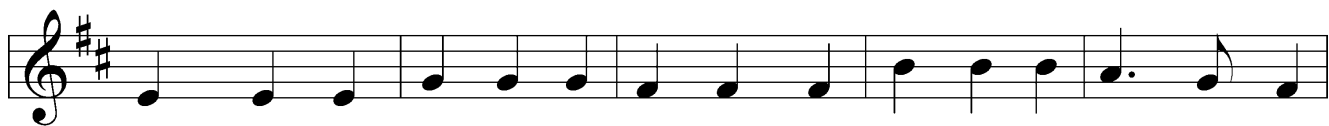
1 One thing's need - ful; Lord, this trea - sure Teach me high - ly
2 How were Mar - y's thoughts de - vot - ed Her e - ter - nal
3 Wis - dom's high - est, no - blest trea - sure, Je - sus, is re -
4 Noth - ing have I, Christ, to of - fer, You a - lone, my
5 There - fore You a - lone, my Sav - ior, Shall be all in



to re - gard. All else, though it first give plea - sure,
joy to find As in - tent each word she not - ed,
vealed in You. Let me find in You my plea - sure,
high - est good. Noth - ing have I, Lord, to prof - fer
all to me; Search my heart and my be - hav - ior,



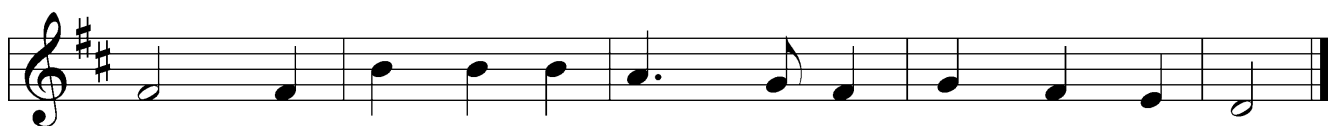
Is a yoke that press - es hard! Be - neath it the
At her Sav - ior's feet re - clined! How kin - dled her
And my way - ward will sub - due, Hu - mil - i - ty
But Your crim - son - col - ored blood. Your death on the
Root out all hy - poc - ri - sy. Through all my life's



heart is still fret-ting and striv-ing, No true, last-ing hap - pi - ness
heart, how de - vout was its feel-ing, While hear-ing the les - sons that
there and sim - plic - i - ty reign-ing, In paths of true wis - dom my
cross has death whol-ly de - feat - ed And there-by my righ - teous-ness
pil - grim-age, guard and up-hold me, In lov - ing for-give - ness, O



ev - er de - riv - ing. This one thing is need-ful; all oth - ers are
Christ was re - veal-ing! All earth - ly con-cerns she for - got for her
steps ev - er train-ing. If I learn from Je - sus this knowl-edge di -
ful - ly com-plet - ed; Sal - va-tion's white rai-ments I there did ob -
Je - sus, en - fold me. This one thing is need-ful; all oth - ers are



vain— I count all but loss that I Christ may ob - tain!
Lord And found her con - tent - ment in hear - ing His Word.
vine, The bless - ing of heav - en - ly wis - dom is mine.
tain, And in them in glo - ry with You I shall reign.
vain— I count all but loss that I Christ may ob - tain!

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Sermon

Stand

Offering and Tithes – A collection plate is at the back of the Nave.

Offertory

Psalm 51:10-12



☐ Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -

way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho-ly Spir-it
from me. Re-store un-to me the joy of Thy sal-va-
tion, and up-hold me with Thy free spir-it. A-men.

Prayer of the Church

[1 Timothy 2:1-4]

P After each petition the pastor prays: “*Lord, in Your mercy...*”

C respond after each petition, “*hear our prayer.*”

✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

2 Timothy 4:22

C And with thy spir-it.

P Lift up your hearts.

[Colossians 3:1]

C We lift them up un-to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks un-to the Lord, our God.

[Psalm 136]

C It is meet and right so to do.

P It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus ~ Holy, Holy, Holy

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,



bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Sabaoth (SAH-bay-oath) is Hebrew for “heavenly hosts.”
Hosanna is a Hebrew word of praise meaning “save us now.”

Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

C Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. ✠
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24;
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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Pax Domini ~ The Peace of the Lord

John 20:19



P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



C A - men.

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

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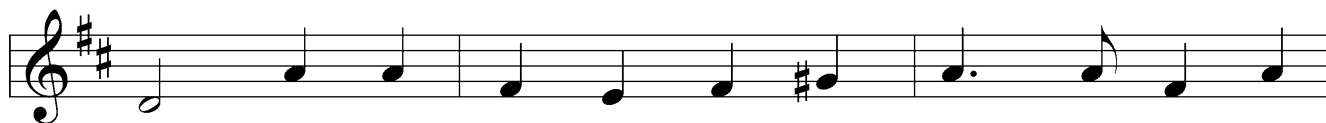
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PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT

Dear Savior, at Your gracious invitation I come to Your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Distribution Hymns

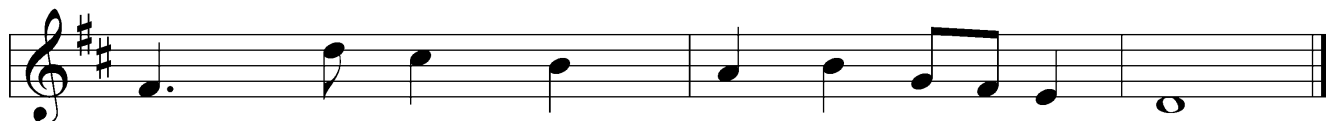
862 Oh, Blest the House



1 Oh, blest the house, what - e'er be - fall, Where Je - sus
 2 Oh, blest that house where faith is found And all in
 3 Oh, blest the par - ents who give heed Un - to their
 4 Oh, blest that house; it pros - pers well. In peace and
 5 Then here will I and mine to - day A sol - emn



Christ is all in all! A home that is not whol - ly
 hope and love a - bound; They trust their God and serve Him
 chil - dren's fore - most need And wea - ry not of care or
 joy the par - ents dwell, And in their chil - dren's lives is
 prom - ise make and say: Though all the world for - sake His



His— How sad and poor and dark it is!
 still And do in all His ho - ly will!
 cost. May none to them and heav'n be lost!
 shown How rich - ly God can bless His own.
 Word, I and my house will serve the Lord!

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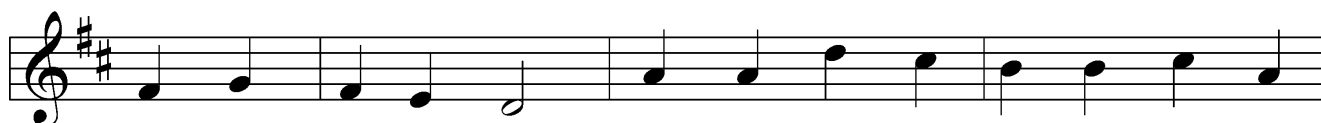
685 Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low His ex -
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus And with pa - tience
 3 Let us glad - ly die with Je - sus. Since by death He
 4 Let us al - so live with Je - sus. He has ris - en



am - ple pure, Through a world that would de - ceive us And to
 bear our cross. Joy will fol - low all our sad - ness; Where He
 con - quered death, He will free us from de - struc - tion, Give to
 from the dead That to life we may a - wak - en. Je - sus,



sin our spir - its lure. On - ward in His foot - steps tread - ing,
 is, there is no loss. Though to - day we sow no laugh - ter,
 us im - mor - tal breath. Let us mor - ti - fy all pas - sion
 You are now our head. We are Your own liv - ing mem - bers;



Pil - grims here, our home a - bove, Full of faith and
 We shall reap ce - les - tial joy; All dis - com - forts
 That would lead us in - to sin; And the grave that
 Where You live, there we shall be In Your pres - ence



hope and love, Let us do the Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful
 that an - noy Shall give way to mirth here - af - ter. Je - sus,
 shuts us in Shall but prove the gate to heav - en. Je - sus,
 con - stant - ly, Liv - ing there with You for - ev - er. Je - sus,



Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where You guide.
 here I share Your woe; Help me there Your joy to know.
 here with You I die, There to live with You on high.
 let me faith - ful be, Life e - ter - nal grant to me.

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641 You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Refrain

You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat.

Come give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

1 As when the shep - herd calls his sheep, They know and
 2 With joy - ful lips we sing to You Our praise and
 3 Is not the cup we bless and share The blood of
 4 The mys - t'ry of Your pres - ence, Lord, No mor - tal
 5 You give Your - self to us, O Lord; Then self - less

heed his voice; So when You call Your
 grat - i - tude That You should count us
 Christ out - poured? Do not one cup, one
 tongue can tell: Whom all the world can -
 let us be, To serve each oth - er

Refrain

fam - 'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re - joice.
 wor - thy, Lord, To share this heav'n - ly food.
 loaf, de - clare Our one - ness in the Lord?
 not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
 in Your name In truth and char - i - ty.

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PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT

Almighty and everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis ~ Song of Simeon

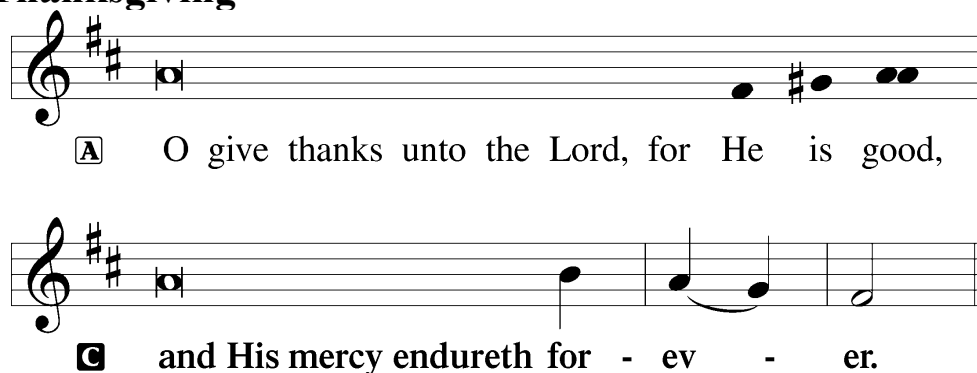
Luke 2:29-32



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-
 cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,
 which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,
 a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy
 peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and
 to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

Thanksgiving

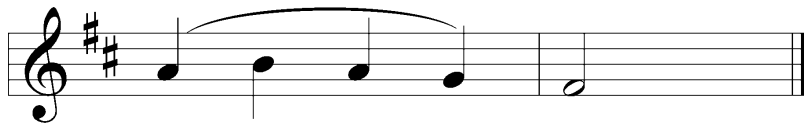
Psalms 107:1



O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
 and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

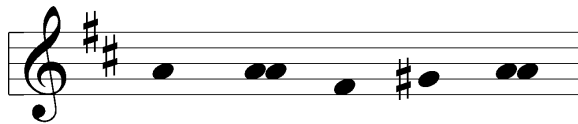
P Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C A - men.

Salutation



P The Lord be with you.

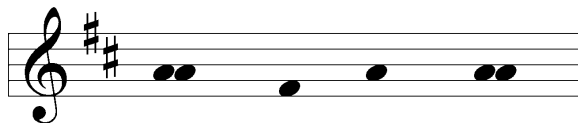
2 Timothy 4:22



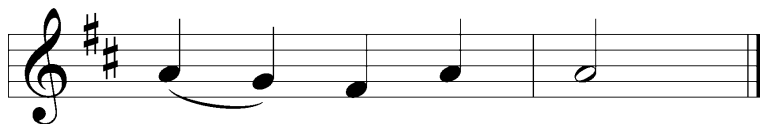
C And with thy spir - it.

Benedicamus

[Psalm 103:1]



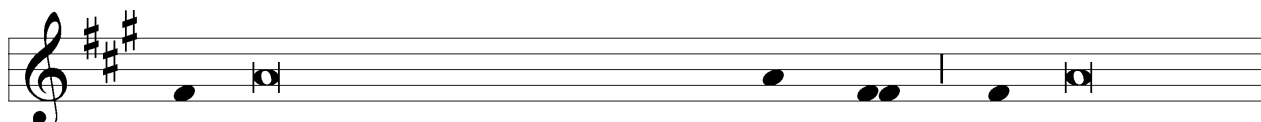
A Bless we the Lord.



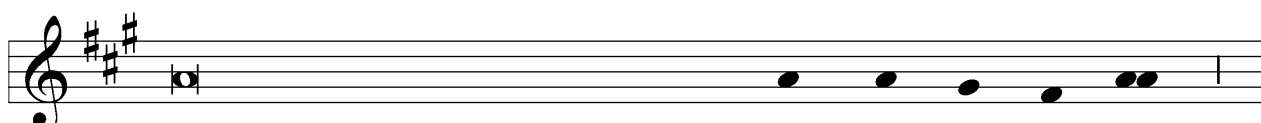
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

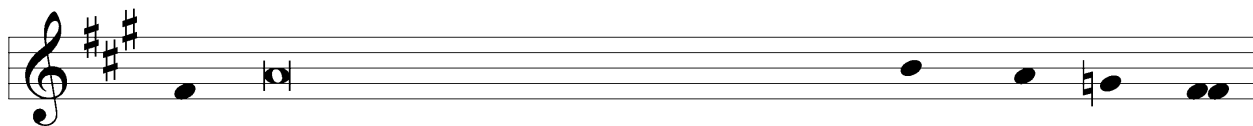
Numbers 6:24-26



P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



C A-men, a-men, a - men.

Sit

Hymn to Depart – 763 When Peace, like a River



1 When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way; When
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, Let
3 He lives— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought; My
4 And, Lord, haste the day when our faith shall be sight, The

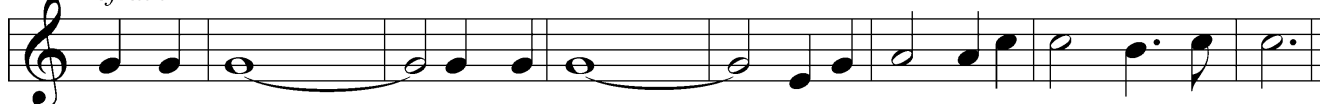


sor - rows, like sea bil - lows, roll; What - ev - er my lot, Thou hast
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That Christ hath re - gard - ed my
sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to His cross, and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trum - pet shall sound and the



taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
help - less es - tate And hath shed His own blood for my soul.
bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend; E - ven so it is well with my soul.

Refrain



It is well with my soul, It is well, it is well with my soul.

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- **FRIENDSHIP REGISTER...** is at the end of each pew. **Please sign one name per line** and return the pad to the center aisle before leaving.
- **ANNOUNCEMENTS** see next page. ...

ANNOUNCEMENTS – JULY 20, 2025

ETERNAL LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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PRAYER REQUESTS: Contact **Mardy K.** to add someone to the prayer chain. Looking for new members for the prayer chain. Please provide an address for the individual you have added to the chain.

IN HIS WORD:

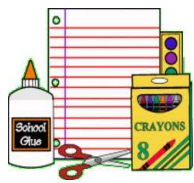
- ★ **SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS** at 10:45 a.m. in the Parish Hall. **Pastor Crane** will continue our Bible study titled “The Lutheran Difference: Creation.”
(Note: Our Bible class will not meet today because of the Voters’ Meeting.)
- ★ **SUNDAY SCHOOL** meets at 10:45 a.m. in the Family Room.
- ★ **MEN’S STUDY GROUP** will meet on **Monday, July 14**, at 6:30 p.m. to continue our review of chapter 4 of *Reading Romans with Luther* by Rev. RJ Grunewald.



QUARTERLY VOTERS’ MEETING TODAY, *SUNDAY, July 20* in the Parish Hall after worship. The meeting will include Board reports and a discussion regarding matters involving the other building and property. Your attendance would be greatly appreciated.

NEW MEMBERS: We are blessed to have many visitors and guests join us for worship at ELLC. If you or a family member would like to learn more about becoming a member of our congregation, please let me know. I would be happy to meet with you or them. Thank you! – **Pastor Crane**

THANK YOU to everyone for your understanding and cooperation while the facility was being cleaned the past few weeks. It is so nice to know the building is clean! Please help as we work at keeping it that way. If you see something amiss, please notify **Paul Last** or the church office. Catching a problem early helps to keep it from becoming a BIG problem. – **Board of Trustees**



LAST DAY➔ SOCIAL MINISTRY JULY PROJECT: We are collecting school supplies for Mrs. Nardini's first grade classroom at Jefferson Elementary School across from the church, where **Deaconess Intern Debbie** volunteers. A "wish list" is available in the Foyer and on the Parish Hall bulletin board. A collection box is in the Foyer. **Deadline** to donate is ***TODAY!*** (Note: *If you forgot your items today, you can drop them off at the church office on Monday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.*)



COFFEE & TREATS are served after Sunday worship in the Parish Hall. It's a great time to visit and get to know one another. Please sign up to provide treats or bring something to share.



YOUTUBE: We live-stream our worship services on our Eternal Life YouTube channel, where you can also watch previously recorded worship services. Please consider subscribing to the channel. This will allow us to extend our reach and visibility. You can find the channel by going to www.youtube.com and searching for Eternal Life Lutheran Church, Mesa, AZ.



...will next meet on ***Thursday, August 21, at 11:00 a.m.*** Watch the announcements for the location and for a sign-up sheet in the Foyer. For any questions, contact **Joy H.** or **Carol R.**

~ Everyone is invited to join us! ~




ELECTRONIC GIVING: Visit our ELLC website and click on the "donate" option in the upper right-hand corner, OR scan the QR code to be taken to this secure electronic giving page.

IN THE FOYER:

- **PORTALS OF PRAYER** for July-September.
- **JULY NEWSLETTER**
- **COLLECTION BOX** for Social Ministry July Project. **←LAST DAY**
- **LWML: MITE BOXES & ENVELOPES** for mite donations.
- **INFORMATION & FUNERAL ARRANGEMENT FORMS**

IN THE NARTHEX:

- **"LITTLE CHURCH"** \$1/per baptized member/per week. 
- 1+1+1 contributed through ***June: \$308.00.*** Thanks to everyone who has contributed. Remember, it's easy: 1 dollar – per member– per week.

**FREE Workshop at
Eternal Life Lutheran Church**
Understanding Dementia: Biblically, Medically, and Socially
Saturday, September 20, 2025
9:15 AM – 1:00 PM
Registration begins at 8:45 AM
Lunch included
RSVP requested by **September 13, 2025.**
Please call the church office at 480-985-0224.

Acts 17:28: “In him we live and move and have our being.”

*Thank you to Thrivent for providing funding for the workshop and lunch.
Space is limited!*

PERMISSION TO GRIEVE: Have you lost a loved one or are you currently going through the journey of dementia or Alzheimer’s with a loved one and you don’t feel like you can talk to anyone? Rev. Tim Duerr, an LCMS pastor, leads a bi-weekly grief group for those who are navigating the grief of cognitive decline as well as death. This summer, we are watching videos from GriefShare. We meet on the **2nd and 4th Thursday of each month** at 10:00 a.m. at the Oakwood Dementia HUB, 6915 E. Main Street, Mesa. For more information, contact Rev. Tim Duerr: tduerr@srhospice.com.

ISSUES, ETC. – EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING CHRIST... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent subjects include Young Women Rejecting Feminism; The Movies “Conclave” and “Sinner;” The Lord’s Supper; The Hymn “O Christ, Our True and Only Light;” and more. You can listen at your convenience at issuesetc.org, Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app, and a podcast provider.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: Luke 10:40b – “*Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone?*” Martha is doing the right thing but in the wrong order. Her service to the Lord is good, but she has let it get ahead of hearing His Word. Mary has placed the Word first, which is good. Is there any doubt that she will rise once she has heard the Word and get to serving as well? Isn’t that what hearing the Word always leads us to do? We listen, then respond. We believe, and thus we act!

STEWARDSHIP: *The 4 T's of Stewardship:*

Time: *Sunday, July 13* – **Worship:** 64; **Bible Class:** 21;

Sunday School: 4 children + 2 adults = 6

Talent: Select an “opportunity to serve” here at your church. See the July newsletter, or speak with a Council member.

Testimony: Call a friend, or shut-in, and bring them to church.

| Treasure: | Actual Needed | Actual | Actual |
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| | <u>To Meet Budget</u> | <u>Giving</u> | <u>Spending</u> |
| June 2025 | \$ 19,762 | \$ 19,991 | \$ 17,154 |
| Year-to-Date | \$118,572 | \$135,142 | \$124,053 |

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; Closed Friday.
Announcement deadline is on Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.

Sun. July 20 **Divine Service**, 9:00 a.m.
Coffee & Treats in the Parish Hall, after worship.
Quarterly Voters’ Meeting in the Parish Hall, after worship.
Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.; Adult Bible Class will not meet.

Mon. July 21 Deadline for August newsletter articles, 2:00 p.m.

Fri. July 25 Church Office closed.

Sun. July 27 **Divine Service**, 9:00 a.m.
Coffee & Treats in the Parish Hall, after worship.
Adult Bible Class & Sunday School, 10:45 a.m.

THOSE WHO SERVE TODAY:

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